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<b>Application Number</b>	09/691,421
<b>Filing Date</b>	October 17, 2000
<b>First Named Inventor</b>	ZHOU, Xiao Ping et al.
<b>Art Unit</b>	1743
<b>Examiner Name</b>	QUAN, Elizabeth
<b>Attorney Docket Number</b>	SYMXP001

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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  - a.  Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked
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    - ii.  Other Amendment B After Final Office Action filed December 5, 2003
  - b.  Enclosed
    - i.  Amendment/Reply
    - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
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  - b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
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Signature		Date	March 1, 2004

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)** **770.00**

Complete if Known	
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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)
1001	770	2001	385
1002	340	2002	170
1003	530	2003	265
1004	770	2004	385
1005	160	2005	80

**SUBTOTAL (1)** **( \$ )**

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Claims	Extra	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	-20**	= <input type="text"/> X <input type="text"/> = <input type="text"/>	
Independent Claims	-3**	= <input type="text"/> X <input type="text"/> = <input type="text"/>	
Multiple Dependent		X <input type="text"/> = <input type="text"/>	

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1202	18	2202 9
1201	86	2201 43
1203	290	2203 145
1204	86	2204 43
1205	18	2205 9

**SUBTOTAL (2)** **( \$ )**

Claims in excess of 20  
 Independent claims in excess of 3  
 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid  
 \*\* Reissue independent claims over original patent  
 \*\* Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

FEE CALCULATION (continued)			
Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)
1051	130	2051	65
1052	50	2052	25
1053	130	1053	130
1812	2,520	1812	2,520
1804	920*	1804	920*
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*
1251	110	2251	55
1252	420	2252	210
1253	950	2253	475
1254	1,480	2254	740
1255	2,010	2255	1,005
1401	330	2401	165
1402	330	2402	165
1403	290	2403	145
1451	1,510	1451	1,510
1452	110	2452	55
1453	1,330	2453	665
1501	1,330	2501	665
1502	480	2502	240
1503	640	2503	320
1460	130	1460	130
1807	50	1807	50
1806	180	1806	180
8021	40	8021	40
1809	770	2809	385
1810	770	2810	385
1801	770	2801	385
1802	900	1802	900
Other fee (specify) _____			
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